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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF FORMER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,
DAVID KENNEDY

1. ON JANUARY 13, 1976, JOYCE THOMPSON, SECRETARY TO DAVID KENNEDY, RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL EMANATING FROM NEW YORK BY AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO INDICATED HE WAS WITH NEW YORK NEWS STAND OR A NEW YORK NEWS STAND MAGAZINE. THIS PART WAS UNCLEAR. THE CALLER ASKED NUMEROUS QUESTIONS AS TO MR. KENNEDY'S TRAVEL PLANS AND ETC. AMONG THE QUESTIONS ASKED WERE "HAD HE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH PRESIDENT NIXON OR MR. HALDERMAN WITHIN THE LAST TWO WEEKS?" AND "WAS IT TRUE THAT HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE MORMON CHURCH IN ATHENS." MR. KENNEDY'S OFFICE ADVISED THAT MR. KENNEDY IS CURRENTLY IN ATHENS RESIDING AT THE HILTON HOTEL AND ON JANUARY 19 WILL DEPART ATHENS VIA TWA FOR CAIRO WHERE HE WILL RESIDE AT THE HILTON HOTEL IN CAIRO UNTIL HIS RETURN.

2. IN VIEW OF THE INQUIRING AND SUSPICIOUS NATURE OF THE TELEPHONE CALL AND MR. KENNEDY'S PRESENT AND PAST POSITIONS,
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REQUEST THAT YOU ALERT APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES TO HIS

PRESENCE AND THAT THEY TAKE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO ENSURE
HIS SAFETY AND WELL-BEING WHILE IN YOUR AREAS. KISSINGER

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